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A Monthly Review of Labor Market Information

Highlights

Missouri unemployment was little changed in June. The statewide unemployment rate edged up only a tenth of a point, far less than the usual increase in June, to 4.8 percent. Payroll employment showed mainly the expected seasonal changes. Gains in retail trade, finance, and most service industries helped offset the losses resulting from the closing of schools for the summer. Construction employment was up by 5,600 jobs, showing considerable underlying growth in addition to seasonal improvement. Manufacturing employment was up by 1,300 jobs, as small gains spread through most industries offset the decrease in transportation equipment resulting from a retooling layoff.

The St. Louis labor market continued to gain strength in June. The unemployment rate remained at 4.8 percent, in contrast to the normal seasonal increase expected in the month. Numerous manufacturing industries had small employment gains over the month, as employers are beginning to use extra workers to cope with upturns in business. Over the year, nonfarm payrolls have grown by 28,800 jobs, with the strongest gains occurring in construction, transportation and utilities, business services, retail trade, and health services.

In Kansas City, the unemployment rate returned to 4.6 percent, after having dipped to 4.2 percent in May. The upturn is attributed to the closing of schools for the summer and a retooling layoff in transportation equipment manufacturing. Payroll employment continued to rise in June, but the increase from May (2,600 jobs) represented a slowing of the pace of growth. Seasonal increases in construction, services, finance, and trade accounted for most of the increases, while school closings resulted in seasonal losses in government and private educational services.

Springfield's unemployment rate dropped four-tenths of a percentage point to 3.4 percent in June. Payroll employment dipped by 200 jobs, as government and private educational services experienced seasonal decreases resulting from school closings. Seasonal gains were noted in construction, trade, and services, while nondurable goods manufacturing employment increased by 200 jobs.

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Affirmative Action Planning Data Available

Updated versions of Labor Market Information for Affirmative Action Programs are now available.

These data packages are designed to aid employers preparing Affirmative Action Plans. They provide information about the sex and minority status of the population and labor force, as well as occupational employment and job applicant data.

The new data packages incorporate 1993 labor force data as well as recent job applicant information. New Metropolitan Statistical Area (MSA) and Labor Market Area (LMA) definitions have also been implemented.

Packages are available for the U.S., Missouri, the state's six MSAs (St. Louis, Kansas City, Springfield, Joplin, Columbia, and St. Joseph), ten LMAs, and individual counties. They may be ordered by contacting the address or phone number shown below.

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Civilian Labor Force, Employment, Unemployment and Unemployment Rates

County/Labor Market Area	Current Month - June 1994 (Preliminary)				Previous Month - May 1994 (Revised)				One Year Ago - June 1993 (Benchmarked)			
	CLF	Emp.	Unemp.	Rate	CLF	Emp.	Unemp.	Rate	CLF	Emp.	Unemp.	Rate
SEASONALLY ADJUSTED												
U.S. (000)	130,248	122,430	7,817	6.0	130,774	122,872	7,902	6.0	128,056	119,187	8,869	6.9
MISSOURI	2,653,998	2,533,246	120,752	4.5	2,643,934	2,511,028	132,906	5.0	2,647,556	2,476,710	170,846	6.5
NOT SEASONALLY ADJUSTED												
U.S. (000)	132,115	123,864	8,251	6.2	130,602	122,946	7,656	5.9	129,839	120,856	9,252	7.1
MISSOURI	2,698,334	2,567,717	130,617	4.8	2,648,997	2,524,756	124,241	4.7	2,691,732	2,511,396	180,336	6.7
METROPOLITAN AREAS (MSAs)												
ST. LOUIS	1,308,635	1,245,339	63,296	4.8	1,281,157	1,219,147	62,010	4.8	1,278,344	1,186,679	91,665	7.2
Franklin	42,630	40,653	1,977	4.6	41,819	39,782	2,037	4.9	42,460	39,031	3,429	8.1
Jefferson	94,037	89,484	4,553	4.8	92,016	87,567	4,449	4.8	92,441	85,913	6,528	7.1
Lincoln	15,330	14,329	1,001	6.5	15,024	14,022	1,002	6.7	15,025	13,757	1,268	8.4
St. Charles	130,189	124,736	5,453	4.2	127,552	122,063	5,489	4.3	126,425	119,758	6,667	5.3
St. Louis County	553,970	533,945	20,025	3.6	542,613	522,503	20,110	3.7	541,563	512,636	28,927	5.3
Warren	10,540	9,911	629	6.0	10,334	9,698	636	6.2	10,175	9,515	660	6.5
St. Louis City	176,384	163,118	13,266	7.5	171,748	159,622	12,126	7.1	174,608	156,608	18,000	10.3
KANSAS CITY	909,103	867,026	42,077	4.6	889,756	852,116	37,640	4.2	885,168	835,104	50,064	5.7
Cass	36,784	35,148	1,636	4.4	35,931	34,508	1,423	4.0	35,770	33,951	1,819	5.1
Clay	94,281	90,136	4,145	4.4	91,740	88,495	3,245	3.5	91,524	87,065	4,459	4.9
Clinton	8,586	8,119	467	5.4	8,314	7,972	342	4.1	8,352	7,843	509	6.1
Jackson	349,367	330,491	18,876	5.4	341,130	324,472	16,658	4.9	341,698	319,229	22,469	6.6
Lafayette	15,512	14,772	740	4.8	15,000	14,503	497	3.3	15,265	14,269	996	6.5
Platte	37,547	36,401	1,146	3.1	36,795	35,738	1,057	2.9	36,590	35,161	1,429	3.9
Ray	10,621	9,870	751	7.1	10,089	9,690	399	4.0	10,291	9,533	758	7.4
SPRINGFIELD	153,218	148,041	5,177	3.4	152,721	146,886	5,835	3.8	149,493	140,814	8,679	5.8
Christian	20,204	19,551	653	3.2	20,160	19,398	762	3.8	19,778	18,597	1,181	6.0
Greene	121,004	116,994	4,010	3.3	120,563	116,081	4,482	3.7	117,971	111,282	6,689	5.7
Webster	12,010	11,496	514	4.3	11,994	11,407	587	4.9	11,744	10,935	809	6.9
JOPLIN	72,333	68,934	3,399	4.7	71,778	68,559	3,219	4.5	72,688	68,015	4,673	6.4
Jasper	48,269	45,916	2,353	4.9	47,890	45,667	2,223	4.6	48,460	45,304	3,156	6.5
Newton	24,065	23,018	1,047	4.4	23,888	22,892	996	4.2	24,228	22,711	1,517	6.3
COLUMBIA	70,183	68,406	1,777	2.5	69,632	67,857	1,775	2.5	70,974	68,021	2,953	4.2
Boone	70,183	68,406	1,777	2.5	69,632	67,857	1,775	2.5	70,974	68,021	2,953	4.2
ST. JOSEPH	45,830	42,493	3,337	7.3	45,338	42,016	3,322	7.3	47,987	44,315	3,672	7.7
Andrew	7,056	6,706	350	5.0	6,966	6,631	335	4.8	7,441	6,994	447	6.0
Buchanan	38,773	35,787	2,986	7.7	38,372	35,385	2,987	7.8	40,547	37,321	3,226	8.0
LABOR MARKET AREAS (LMAs)												
ADAIR-SCHUYLER	16,077	15,557	520	3.2	17,368	16,545	823	4.7	15,651	14,920	731	4.7
Adair	13,834	13,419	415	3.0	14,982	14,271	711	4.7	13,455	12,870	585	4.3
Schuyler	2,243	2,138	105	4.7	2,386	2,274	112	4.7	2,196	2,050	146	6.6
BUTLER-CARTER-RIPLEY	24,183	22,587	1,596	6.6	23,509	22,157	1,352	5.8	25,297	22,911	2,386	9.4
Butler	17,488	16,394	1,094	6.3	17,060	16,082	978	5.7	18,202	16,630	1,572	8.6
Carter	2,243	2,086	157	7.0	2,180	2,047	133	6.1	2,408	2,116	292	12.1
Ripley	4,450	4,106	344	7.7	4,269	4,028	241	5.6	4,687	4,165	522	11.1
CAMDEN-MILLER	26,204	25,052	1,152	4.4	25,172	23,807	1,365	5.4	26,356	24,440	1,916	7.3
Camden	15,011	14,315	696	4.6	14,394	13,604	790	5.5	15,020	13,966	1,054	7.0
Miller	11,194	10,737	457	4.1	10,778	10,203	575	5.3	11,336	10,474	862	7.6
CAPE GIRARDEAU-SCOTT-NEW MADRID	70,557	66,681	3,876	5.5	70,125	66,521	3,604	5.1	71,637	65,987	5,650	7.9
Bollinger	4,582	4,315	267	5.8	4,557	4,304	253	5.6	4,693	4,270	423	9.0
Cape Girardeau	32,920	31,666	1,254	3.8	32,764	31,590	1,174	3.6	33,328	31,336	1,992	6.0
Mississippi	6,130	5,439	691	11.3	6,082	5,426	656	10.8	6,069	5,382	687	11.3
New Madrid	8,381	7,784	597	7.1	8,264	7,766	498	6.0	8,699	7,703	998	11.4
Scott	18,546	17,477	1,069	5.8	18,459	17,435	1,024	5.5	18,848	17,295	1,554	8.2
COLE-CALLAWAY-MONITEAU	64,727	62,193	2,534	3.9	63,315	61,197	2,118	3.3	67,289	63,479	3,810	5.7
Callaway	17,504	16,768	736	4.2	17,171	16,499	672	3.9	18,152	17,115	1,037	5.7
Cole	34,455	33,216	1,239	3.6	33,627	32,684	943	2.8	35,853	33,903	1,950	5.4
Moniteau	6,256	5,986	270	4.3	6,133	5,890	243	4.0	6,608	6,110	498	7.5
Osage	6,513	6,223	290	4.5	6,382	6,123	259	4.1	6,678	6,352	326	4.9
HOWELL-OREGON-SHANNON	23,603	22,013	1,590	6.7	23,447	22,168	1,279	5.5	24,635	22,543	2,092	8.5
Howell	15,849	14,770	1,079	6.8	15,718	14,874	844	5.4	16,482	15,126	1,356	8.2
Oregon	4,060	3,794	266	6.6	4,063	3,820	243	6.0	4,304	3,885	419	9.7
Shannon	3,694	3,449	245	6.6	3,665	3,473	192	5.2	3,849	3,532	317	8.2
LAWRENCE-BARRY	27,732	26,395	1,337	4.8	27,502	26,146	1,356	4.9	28,851	26,775	2,076	7.2
Barry	13,230	12,564	666	5.0	13,086	12,445	641	4.9	13,803	12,745	1,058	7.7
Lawrence	14,502	13,831	671	4.6	14,416	13,701	715	5.0	15,048	14,030	1,018	6.8
MARION-RALLS	19,622	18,759	863	4.4	19,073	18,217	856	4.5	20,024	18,719	1,305	6.5
Marion	14,845	14,164	681	4.6	14,432	13,755	677	4.7	15,149	14,134	1,015	6.7
Ralls	4,777	4,595	182	3.8	4,641	4,462	179	3.9	4,875	4,585	290	5.9
PHELPS-MARIES	20,422	19,557	865	4.2	20,855	19,863	992	4.8	21,225	19,697	1,528	7.2
Maries	3,821	3,663	158	4.1	3,931	3,720	211	5.4	3,984	3,689	295	7.4
Phelps	16,601	15,894	707	4.3	16,924	16,143	781	4.6	17,241	16,008	1,233	7.2
ST. FRANCOIS-WASHINGTON	28,255	25,584	2,671	9.5	27,871	25,378	2,493	8.9	29,282	25,706	3,576	12.2
St. Francois	20,297	18,525	1,772	8.7	20,088	18,375	1,713	8.5	21,046	18,613	2,433	11.6
Washington	7,957	7,059	898	11.3	7,782	7,003	779	10.0	8,237	7,093	1,144	13.9

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	CLF	Emp.	Unemp.	Rate	CLF	Emp.	Unemp.	Rate	CLF	Emp.	Unemp.	Rate
OTHER COUNTIES												
Atchison	2,952	2,873	79	2.7	2,743	2,668	75	2.7	3,170	3,042	128	4.0
Audrain	11,313	10,849	464	4.1	11,113	10,667	446	4.0	12,061	11,294	767	6.4
Barton	6,338	6,122	216	3.4	6,143	5,953	190	3.1	6,608	6,290	318	4.8
Bates	7,142	6,772	370	5.2	7,210	6,854	356	4.9	7,544	6,955	589	7.8
Benton	5,671	5,322	349	6.2	5,582	5,220	362	6.5	5,988	5,433	555	9.3
Caldwell	3,589	3,364	225	6.3	3,508	3,331	177	5.0	3,796	3,524	272	7.2
Carroll	4,975	4,704	271	5.4	4,919	4,654	265	5.4	5,302	4,876	426	8.0
Cedar	5,340	5,121	219	4.1	5,342	5,112	230	4.3	5,396	5,042	354	6.6
Chariton	3,987	3,798	189	4.7	3,927	3,759	168	4.3	4,240	3,908	332	7.8
Clark	3,305	3,141	164	5.0	3,294	3,143	151	4.6	3,757	3,419	338	9.0
Cooper	8,057	7,796	261	3.2	7,909	7,624	285	3.6	8,468	7,901	567	6.7
Crawford	10,285	9,678	607	5.9	9,845	9,292	553	5.6	10,449	9,464	985	9.4
Dade	3,006	2,857	149	5.0	2,945	2,793	152	5.2	3,316	3,072	244	7.4
Dallas	6,035	5,701	334	5.5	5,848	5,524	324	5.5	6,351	5,726	625	9.8
Daviess	3,198	3,034	164	5.1	3,154	3,012	142	4.5	3,440	3,148	292	8.5
DeKalb	3,955	3,761	194	4.9	3,842	3,662	180	4.7	4,360	4,092	268	6.1
Dent	6,153	5,748	405	6.6	6,058	5,687	371	6.1	6,297	5,736	561	8.9
Douglas	5,611	5,337	274	4.9	5,873	5,583	290	4.9	5,738	5,376	362	6.3
Dunklin	13,400	12,392	1,008	7.5	13,122	12,185	937	7.1	13,638	12,203	1,435	10.5
Gasconade	6,809	6,457	352	5.2	6,751	6,374	377	5.6	7,374	6,613	761	10.3
Gentry	3,421	3,299	122	3.6	3,453	3,302	151	4.4	3,555	3,421	134	3.8
Grundy	4,863	4,659	204	4.2	4,679	4,494	185	4.0	5,210	4,764	446	8.6
Harrison	4,065	3,920	145	3.6	3,988	3,881	107	2.7	4,287	4,053	234	5.5
Henry	9,317	8,667	650	7.0	9,118	8,562	556	6.1	9,594	8,835	759	7.9
Hickory	2,734	2,583	151	5.5	2,654	2,495	159	6.0	2,994	2,746	248	8.3
Holt	2,956	2,837	119	4.0	2,803	2,691	112	4.0	3,060	2,892	168	5.5
Howard	4,947	4,783	164	3.3	4,928	4,760	168	3.4	4,859	4,599	260	5.4
Iron	4,019	3,581	438	10.9	4,123	3,716	407	9.9	4,144	3,597	547	13.2
Johnson	21,170	20,405	765	3.6	21,316	20,586	730	3.4	20,737	19,752	985	4.7
Knox	1,815	1,751	64	3.5	1,815	1,722	93	5.1	2,032	1,926	106	5.2
Laclede	13,511	12,638	873	6.5	13,428	12,612	816	6.1	13,619	12,378	1,241	9.1
Lewis	4,960	4,753	207	4.2	4,898	4,678	220	4.5	5,273	4,907	366	6.9
Linn	6,584	6,113	471	7.2	6,556	6,207	349	5.3	6,892	6,243	649	9.4
Livingston	6,777	6,482	295	4.4	6,809	6,524	285	4.2	7,057	6,691	366	5.2
McDonald	6,978	6,623	355	5.1	6,832	6,532	300	4.4	7,257	6,540	717	9.9
Macon	6,843	6,491	352	5.1	6,613	6,267	346	5.2	7,681	6,920	761	9.9
Madison	4,439	4,060	379	8.5	4,376	3,991	385	8.8	4,700	4,113	587	12.5
Mercer	2,093	2,013	80	3.8	2,070	1,986	84	4.1	1,906	1,806	100	5.2
Monroe	3,998	3,797	201	5.0	3,952	3,783	169	4.3	4,338	4,036	302	7.0
Montgomery	5,656	5,386	270	4.8	5,611	5,352	259	4.6	5,739	5,327	412	7.2
Morgan	7,423	7,053	370	5.0	7,173	6,820	353	4.9	7,853	7,248	605	7.7
Nodaway	11,742	11,453	289	2.5	11,907	11,439	468	3.9	11,793	11,341	452	3.8
Ozark	3,982	3,805	177	4.4	3,858	3,680	178	4.6	4,261	3,985	276	6.5
Pemiscot	7,230	6,051	1,179	16.3	7,021	5,936	1,085	15.5	8,220	6,959	1,261	15.3
Perry	9,649	9,233	416	4.3	9,609	9,199	410	4.3	9,807	9,156	651	6.6
Pettis	18,698	17,577	1,121	6.0	18,141	17,130	1,011	5.6	19,287	17,771	1,516	7.9
Pike	6,973	6,535	438	6.3	6,874	6,471	403	5.9	7,438	6,761	677	9.1
Polk	9,969	9,541	428	4.3	10,181	9,762	419	4.1	10,669	9,910	759	7.1
Pulaski	12,199	11,390	809	6.6	11,954	11,188	766	6.4	12,744	11,517	1,227	9.6
Putnam	2,094	2,040	54	2.6	2,046	1,984	62	3.0	2,260	2,140	120	5.3
Randolph	9,848	9,293	555	5.6	9,695	9,155	540	5.6	10,428	9,461	967	9.3
Reynolds	3,140	2,946	194	6.2	2,960	2,809	151	5.1	3,246	2,974	272	8.4
St. Clair	3,773	3,554	219	5.8	3,450	3,238	212	6.1	4,031	3,775	256	6.4
Ste. Genevieve	8,299	7,894	405	4.9	7,986	7,605	381	4.8	8,479	7,792	687	8.1
Saline	11,187	10,670	517	4.6	11,027	10,575	452	4.1	11,472	10,711	761	6.6
Scotland	2,198	2,147	51	2.3	2,197	2,142	55	2.5	2,408	2,328	80	3.3
Shelby	3,090	2,989	101	3.3	3,027	2,921	106	3.5	3,396	3,234	162	4.8
Stoddard	13,159	12,227	932	7.1	13,040	12,161	879	6.7	13,513	12,172	1,341	9.9
Stone	13,413	12,824	589	4.4	12,613	11,925	688	5.5	13,492	12,657	835	6.2
Sullivan	2,682	2,582	100	3.7	2,649	2,559	90	3.4	2,822	2,610	212	7.5
Taney	26,158	25,298	860	3.3	24,465	23,470	995	4.1	25,878	24,619	1,259	4.9
Texas	9,178	8,337	841	9.2	9,138	8,309	829	9.1	10,018	8,603	1,415	14.1
Vernon	8,198	7,882	316	3.9	8,126	7,791	335	4.1	8,827	8,300	527	6.0
Wayne	3,924	3,147	777	19.8	3,722	3,077	645	17.3	4,205	3,456	749	17.8
Worth	991	945	46	4.6	977	928	49	5.0	1,126	1,040	86	7.6
Wright	8,147	7,271	876	10.8	8,191	7,287	904	11.0	8,257	7,606	651	7.9

NOTES: Data within shaded areas are not comparable to 1994 data.
Data for counties within MSAs/LMAs are prepared by disaggregation from MSA/LMA totals.

Missouri Labor Market Review

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Missouri Employment and Unemployment Conditions

Missouri unemployment was little changed in June. The statewide unemployment rate edged up only a tenth of a point, far less than the usual increase in June, to 4.8 percent. About 130,600 Missourians were estimated to have been jobless in the month. On a seasonally adjusted basis, the unemployment rate fell to 4.5 percent from the 5.0 percent level which had prevailed in April and May. Seasonal patterns can vary somewhat in the early summer, depending on timing of the reference week and other conditions.

Total household employment grew sharply in June, increasing by 42,900 from May to 2,567,700. The increase was somewhat larger than the expected seasonal gain.

Payroll employment, on the other hand, showed mainly the expected seasonal changes in June. Total payroll employment edged down by 1,600 jobs, but this masks considerable changes in particular industry groups. Construction employment was up by 5,600 jobs, as that industry continued to show strong underlying growth in addition to seasonal improvement. Manufacturing employment was up by 1,300 jobs, as small gains spread through most industries offset the 1,900-job decrease in transportation equipment, the result of a retooling layoff in the automobile industry. Primarily-seasonal gains in retail trade (2,600); finance, insurance, and real estate (1,700); and most service industries (a gain of 8,100 jobs in industries other than education) all helped offset the seasonal losses in government (16,700 jobs) and in private educational services (4,200 jobs) with the closing of schools for the summer.

Employment growth has continued to be strong over the past year. From June 1993 to June 1994, nonfarm payrolls grew by 64,700 jobs, a 2.7 percent gain. Construction continues to be a strong performer, with employment having grown by 10,400 jobs, or 10.4 percent, in the 12-month period. Manufacturing employment remains below year-ago levels, with losses in aircraft, automobile, shoe, chemical, and instrument manufacturing depressing employment. Over that period, however, there has been job growth in many industries, including furniture and fixtures (2,400 jobs), machinery (2,000 jobs), and electronic and other electrical equipment (1,400 jobs). In the service-producing sector, all industry groups have grown, led by services (an increase of 33,900 jobs, spread through most individual service industries), trade (gaining 10,700 jobs), and government (up by 7,800 jobs).

The factory workweek increased another two-tenths of an hour to 42.5 hours in June. Earnings dipped, however. The hourly average slipped back by 17¢ to $11.49, while the weekly figure decreased by $4.89 to $488.33. Some reduction in the high levels of overtime in the automobile industry contributed to this decrease. Average weekly earnings of factory workers were 1.8 percent above the year-earlier level.

The workweek for construction workers remained at a strong 39.2 hours in June. Hourly earnings increased 28¢ to $18.48, while the weekly figure climbed by $10.98 to $724.42. This figure is 9.8 percent above the level of June 1993.

In the private service-producing sector, average weekly hours for nonsupervisory workers edged up by a tenth of an hour to 33.1. Hourly earnings dipped by 10¢ to $9.31, while the weekly figure edged down by $2.37 to $308.16. The weekly figure was 4.2 percent above the year-earlier level, however.

National Economic and Labor Market Conditions

Economic growth was slightly higher in the second quarter of 1994 than in the previous period. Gross domestic product is estimated to have grown at a 3.7 percent annual rate in the April-June period, up a bit from the 3.3 percent rate in the January-March quarter. Much of the increase resulted from inventory building, as consumer spending grew at a slower clip than in the previous period. Growing inventories could lead to slower growth in upcoming quarters, as businesses scale back production to keep inventories in line.

National unemployment held steady in June, on a seasonally adjusted basis. The unemployment rate remained at 6.0 percent of the labor force, after having fallen sharply in May. Since January, when the new survey procedures became effective, the rate has fallen by seven-tenths of a point.

Payroll employment grew sharply, climbing by 379,000 jobs, seasonally adjusted. Part of this increase is believed to have resulted from the timing of the survey, which resulted in picking up some jobs which otherwise would have been reported in July.

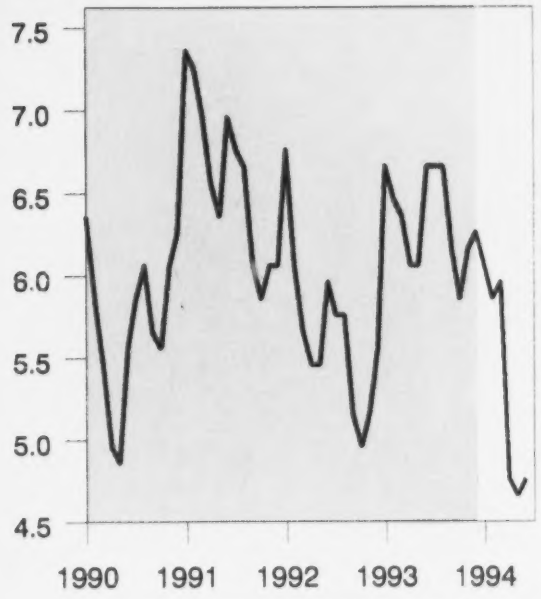
Manufacturing employment has picked back up, increasing by about 34,000 in June. Since last October, employment has grown by about 100,000 jobs, in contrast to the 1½ million-job loss which occurred over the previous 4½ years. Construction employment growth has begun to moderate, probably in response to higher interest rates.

Outlook

Economic growth could slow some in upcoming quarters, with consumer spending having recently slowed and inventory growth occurring. Still, underlying economic conditions appear fairly strong, providing some buoyancy to the labor markets.

Seasonal labor market conditions usually don't change much between June and July.

Missouri Unemployment Rate



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Missouri Payroll Employment

Explanatory Notes

All data in this publication are produced in cooperation with the U.S. Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics.

Data. Labor force data are estimates of the number of people who are either employed or unemployed, on a place-of-residence basis. Data for 1994 are preliminary and not directly comparable to 1993 and earlier data because of changes in methodology.

- Total Employment represents the number of employed civilians, including self-employment and agricultural employment.
- Unemployment represents the number of people who are not employed but are looking for work.
- Civilian Labor Force is the sum of employment and unemployment.
- Unemployment Rate is the number unemployed expressed as a percentage of the labor force.

Nonagricultural Wage and Salary Employment data are place-of-work estimates of the number of jobs, based on a survey of establishments. The data have been adjusted to the March 1993 benchmark. Data are available for all employees on nonfarm payrolls, for the number of production or nonsupervisory workers on private nonfarm payrolls, and for average hours and earnings of production workers. Seasonally adjusted employment data for major industry groups are published for Missouri.

Areas. Labor Market Reviews cover the state and its three largest metropolitan areas. MSA definitions are the official Office of Management and Budget designations which became effective December 31, 1992.

- The St. Louis MSA includes the City of St. Louis plus St. Louis, Franklin, Jefferson, Lincoln, St. Charles and Warren counties in Missouri and Clinton, Jersey, Madison, Monroe, and St. Clair counties in Illinois. For data purposes, the portion of Sullivan in Crawford County is not included.
- The Kansas City MSA includes Jackson, Cass, Clay, Clinton, Lafayette, Platte, and Ray counties in Missouri and Johnson, Leavenworth, Miami, and Wyandotte counties in Kansas.
- The Springfield MSA includes Greene, Christian and Webster counties.

Nonagricultural Wage & Salary Employment — Missouri (Statewide)

Industry	Number of Jobs			Change from:	
	June 1994[P]	May 1994	June 1993	May 1994	June 1993
SEASONALLY ADJUSTED					
TOTAL NONAGRICULTURAL	2,464,300	2,463,800	2,399,300	500	65,000
MINING	4,300	4,300	4,500	0	-200
CONSTRUCTION	106,100	104,800	95,700	1,300	10,400
MANUFACTURING	409,800	410,400	411,800	-600	-2,000
DURABLE GOODS	223,100	224,200	223,000	-1,100	100
NONDURABLE GOODS	186,700	186,200	188,800	500	-2,100
TRANSPORTATION & PUBLIC UTILS	154,400	155,000	152,700	-600	1,700
TRADE	580,900	582,400	570,200	-1,500	10,700
WHOLESALE TRADE	138,700	139,200	137,500	-500	1,200
RETAIL TRADE	442,200	443,200	432,700	-1,000	9,500
FINANCE, INSURANCE,REAL ESTATE	143,500	143,200	140,800	300	2,700
SERVICES	679,100	677,200	645,200	1,900	33,900
TOTAL GOVERNMENT	386,200	386,500	378,400	-300	7,800
NOT SEASONALLY ADJUSTED					
TOTAL NONAGRICULTURAL	2,477,700	2,479,300	2,413,000	-1,600	64,700
GOODS PRODUCING	527,000	520,100	519,000	6,900	8,000
MINING	4,300	4,300	4,500	0	-200
CONSTRUCTION	110,400	104,800	100,000	5,600	10,400
General Building Contractors	28,300	27,200	25,900	1,100	2,400
Heavy Construction	14,900	13,800	12,800	1,100	2,100
Special Trade Contractors	67,200	63,800	61,300	3,400	5,900
MANUFACTURING	412,300	411,000	414,500	1,300	-2,200
DURABLE GOODS	224,400	224,600	224,400	-200	0
Lumber & Wood Products	12,300	12,200	11,800	100	500
Furniture & Fixtures	15,100	14,700	12,700	400	2,400
Stone, Clay & Glass Products	10,900	10,600	10,700	300	200
Primary Metal Industries	12,200	12,100	11,700	100	500
Fabricated Metal Products	34,000	33,700	33,600	300	400
Industrial Machinery & Equipment	34,500	34,200	32,500	300	2,000
Electronic & Other Electrical Equipment	33,100	32,900	31,700	200	1,400
Transportation Equipment	53,100	55,000	59,600	-1,900	-6,500
Motor vehicles & equipment	23,200	25,100	28,400	-1,900	-5,200
Aircraft & parts	26,200	26,100	27,200	100	-1,000
Instruments & Related Products	11,000	10,800	11,800	200	-800
NONDURABLE GOODS	187,900	186,400	190,100	1,500	-2,200
Food & Kindred Products	49,700	49,300	50,000	400	-300
Beverages	9,700	9,600	9,900	100	-200
Textile Mill Products & Apparel	23,200	23,000	23,000	200	200
Paper & Allied Products	14,300	14,100	14,100	200	200
Printing & Publishing	43,400	43,200	43,000	200	400
Chemicals & Allied Products	28,100	27,800	29,100	300	-1,000
Leather & Leather Products	8,600	8,800	11,200	-200	-2,600
SERVICE PRODUCING	1,950,700	1,959,200	1,894,000	-8,500	56,700
PRIVATE SERVICE-PRODUCING	1,572,000	1,563,800	1,523,100	8,200	48,900
TRANSPORTATION & PUBLIC UTILITIES	155,300	155,600	153,600	-300	1,700
Railroad Transportation	8,800	8,800	8,800	0	0
Trucking & Warehousing	50,000	49,500	49,000	500	1,000
Transportation by Air	18,700	18,700	18,500	0	200
Communications	35,900	35,700	36,600	200	-700
Electric, Gas & Sanitary Service	20,700	20,300	20,900	400	-200
TRADE	586,200	583,300	575,500	2,900	10,700
WHOLESALE TRADE	139,100	138,800	137,900	300	1,200
Wholesale Trade - Durable Goods	76,100	75,600	76,300	500	-200
Motor vehicles, parts & supplies	12,300	12,300	12,400	0	-100
Lumber & construction materials	4,700	4,600	4,500	100	200
Professional & commercial equipment	14,800	14,800	15,100	0	-300
Electrical goods	9,000	8,900	8,700	100	300
Hardware, plumbing & heating equipment	6,300	6,300	6,100	0	200
Machinery, equipment & supplies	17,400	17,400	17,500	0	-100
Wholesale Trade - Nondurable Goods	63,000	63,200	61,600	-200	1,400
Groceries & related	18,100	18,200	18,000	-100	100
Petroleum & petroleum products	4,800	4,700	4,900	100	-100
Beer, wine & distilled beverages	3,100	3,100	3,100	0	0
RETAIL TRADE	447,100	444,500	437,600	2,600	9,500
Building materials & garden supplies	19,400	19,300	19,100	100	300
General merchandise stores	61,500	61,300	58,200	200	3,300
Food stores	62,100	61,100	61,500	1,000	600
Automotive dealers/service stations	54,500	54,100	53,200	400	1,300
Apparel & accessory stores	22,200	21,900	21,900	300	300
Furniture & homefurnishing stores	15,300	15,100	15,000	200	300
Eating & drinking places	167,400	166,800	164,100	600	3,300

Industry	Number of Jobs			Change from:	
	June 1994[P]	May 1994	June 1993	May 1994	June 1993
FINANCE, INSURANCE, & REAL ESTATE	144,900	143,200	142,300	1,700	2,600
Depository Institutions	45,100	44,900	45,900	200	-800
Nondepository Institutions	9,100	9,100	8,800	0	300
Security & Commodity Brokers	15,300	15,100	13,800	200	1,500
Insurance Carriers	30,400	30,300	30,600	100	-200
Insurance Agents, Brokers	14,000	13,900	13,900	100	100
Real Estate	26,900	25,900	25,400	1,000	1,500
Holding & Other Investment Offices	4,100	4,000	3,900	100	200
SERVICES	685,600	681,700	651,700	3,900	33,900
Hotels & Other Lodging Places	33,700	32,300	33,000	1,400	700
Personal Services	28,100	28,100	25,700	0	2,400
Business Services	118,100	117,300	109,100	800	9,000
Auto Repair, Services, Parking	22,400	22,100	21,200	300	1,200
Amusement & Recreation Services / Movie	43,000	39,700	40,200	3,300	2,800
Health Services	222,500	222,400	215,600	100	6,900
Hospitals (private)	105,400	104,600	103,000	800	2,400
Legal Services	15,900	15,500	15,600	400	300
Educational Services (private)	40,100	44,300	36,900	-4,200	3,200
Social Services	47,600	47,900	44,500	-300	3,100
Membership Organizations	51,600	50,500	51,000	1,100	600
Engineering & Management Services	40,800	40,300	38,100	500	2,700
Agricultural Services	12,400	12,200	12,000	200	400
TOTAL GOVERNMENT	378,700	395,400	370,900	-16,700	7,800
TOTAL FEDERAL GOVERNMENT	69,000	69,800	69,800	-800	-800
TOTAL STATE GOVERNMENT	91,500	95,400	89,300	-3,900	2,200
TOTAL LOCAL GOVERNMENT	218,200	230,200	211,800	-12,000	6,400

[P] = **Preliminary**

Production Workers Average Hours and Earnings — Missouri (Statewide)

Industry	Production Workers			Average Weekly Hours			Average Hourly Earnings			Average Weekly Earnings		
	Jun 1994[P]	May 1994	Jun 1993	Jun 1994[P]	May 1994	Jun 1993	Jun 1994[P]	May 1994	Jun 1993	Jun 1994[P]	May 1994	Jun 1993
GOODS PRODUCING	383,100	376,600	372,600	41.8	41.6	40.9	$13.04	$13.06	$12.69	$545.07	$543.30	$519.02
CONSTRUCTION	89,400	83,900	78,400	39.2	39.2	38.0	18.48	18.20	17.37	724.42	713.44	660.06
MANUFACTURING	290,200	289,200	290,900	42.5	42.3	41.6	11.49	11.66	11.53	488.33	493.22	479.65
DURABLE GOODS	158,800	159,000	158,800	43.2	43.5	42.2	12.12	12.39	12.49	523.58	538.97	527.08
Lumber & Wood Products	9,800	9,700	9,100	40.0	38.5	37.8	8.36	8.17	8.12	334.40	314.55	306.94
Furniture & Fixtures	11,900	11,600	10,000	41.7	39.9	39.9	9.11	9.05	8.99	379.89	361.10	358.70
Stone, Clay & Glass Products	8,400	8,100	8,400	43.8	44.7	40.7	12.64	12.41	11.85	553.63	554.73	482.30
Primary Metal Industries	9,300	9,200	8,800	51.4	51.2	45.4	13.12	12.96	13.06	674.37	663.55	592.92
Fabricated Metal Products	24,100	23,800	23,200	42.5	42.1	41.8	11.58	11.62	12.32	492.15	489.20	514.98
Industrial Machinery & Equipment	24,900	24,600	22,700	42.5	42.4	42.2	11.36	11.37	11.38	482.80	482.09	480.24
Electronic & Other Electrical Eqp	26,300	26,000	24,700	42.9	42.9	42.4	9.71	9.67	9.30	416.56	414.84	394.32
Transportation Equipment	32,700	34,700	39,900	44.8	46.9	44.4	17.49	18.08	17.61	783.55	847.95	781.88
Motor vehicles & equipment	20,000	21,800	25,000	47.2	49.9	47.1	18.05	18.57	18.01	851.96	926.64	848.27
Instruments & Related Products	5,400	5,300	5,500	39.8	39.7	39.6	10.53	10.90	10.74	419.09	432.73	425.30
NONDURABLE GOODS	131,400	130,200	132,100	41.6	40.9	40.9	10.69	10.72	10.34	444.70	438.45	422.91
Food & Kindred Products	37,300	36,900	37,500	41.9	40.0	39.8	10.66	10.79	10.64	446.65	431.60	423.47
Beverages	4,100	4,100	4,200	40.1	39.7	39.4	20.19	20.51	20.48	809.62	814.25	806.91
Textile Mill Products & Apparel	20,600	20,400	20,100	36.0	35.8	38.1	7.12	7.10	6.94	256.32	254.18	264.41
Paper & Allied Products	11,800	11,600	11,700	45.5	44.6	44.2	10.98	11.22	10.86	499.59	500.41	480.01
Chemicals & Allied Products	14,300	14,100	14,100	47.7	47.9	48.4	14.86	14.71	14.04	708.82	704.61	679.54
Leather & Leather Products	7,800	7,800	10,300	37.4	35.0	36.5	7.36	7.26	6.89	275.26	254.10	251.49
PRIVATE SERVICE-PRODUCING	1,314,400	1,301,300	1,273,100	33.1	33.0	32.6	9.31	9.41	9.07	308.16	310.53	295.68
TRANSPORTATION & PUBLIC UTILS	117,800	118,000	115,900	38.0	38.0	39.3	13.53	13.59	12.65	514.14	516.42	497.15
TRADE	516,700	512,300	505,400	32.3	32.1	31.7	8.02	8.07	7.88	259.05	259.05	249.80
WHOLESALE TRADE	114,200	113,600	113,400	40.0	40.2	40.0	11.27	11.30	10.90	450.80	454.26	436.00
Wholesale Trade - Durable Gds	60,800	60,200	61,200	40.0	40.4	40.2	11.76	11.77	11.37	470.40	475.51	457.07
Wholesale Trade - Nondur Gds	53,400	53,400	52,200	39.9	40.1	39.8	10.71	10.76	10.34	427.33	431.48	411.53
RETAIL TRADE	402,500	398,700	392,000	30.2	29.8	29.3	6.81	6.83	6.68	205.66	203.53	195.72
FINANCE, INSURANCE, REAL ESTATE	111,100	109,500	106,800	36.5	37.2	36.2	10.84	10.91	10.26	395.66	405.85	371.41
SERVICES	568,800	561,500	545,000	32.2	31.9	31.4	9.12	9.25	8.96	293.66	295.08	281.34

[P] = **Preliminary**

St. Louis Labor Market Review

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Area Labor Force Developments

The St. Louis MSA labor market continued to gain strength in June 1994. The unemployment rate, at 4.8 percent, was unchanged from May, a distinct contrast with the normal seasonal increase in unemployment between May and June. The civilian labor force increased over 27,000, reflecting the entry of summer job seekers into the labor force, but unemployment rose by only 1,300. Nonfarm payroll employment registered another strong gain over the month; as in previous months, construction, retail trade, recreational services and lodging services added more workers. Numerous manufacturing industries had small employment gains over the month, while the factory workweek declined slightly, indicating that manufacturers are beginning to use extra workers rather than overtime to cope with upturns in business.

Nonfarm payroll employment rose by 28,800 over the year. Once again, 12-month job gains were strongest in construction, transportation and utilities, business services, retail trade and health services. Manufacturing employment was down by 5,100 from June 1993 to June 1994, reflecting layoffs in aircraft, automobile, chemical, footwear and steel manufacturing in late 1993 and early 1994.

Manufacturing

Manufacturing employment increased by 2,200 from May 1994 to June 1994. Small employment gains were spread over a number of manufacturing industries; the largest gain was 400 in printing and publishing. Over the year, however, manufacturing employment was down by 5,100. Layoffs in motor vehicle and aircraft manufacturing last year and more recent cuts in chemicals, footwear and primary metals caused the loss. Construction-related manufacturing industries (lumber, stone, clay, glass, fabricated metal and machinery) added 1,500 jobs over the year. Electrical manufacturers, food processors and printers also added jobs.

Nonmanufacturing

Nonmanufacturing employment increased by 8,600 from May to June. Gains were concentrated in retail trade, recreational services and construction. The overall gain in nonmanufacturing employment occurred despite the seasonal loss of more than 10,000 jobs at area schools with the end of the spring semester. Over the year, nonmanufacturing employment increased by 33,900. Construction added over 9,000 jobs between June 1993 and June 1994. Other strong employment gains occurred in retail trade, transportation and utilities, business services, health services and recreational services. Employment was down slightly in finance and government.

Unemployment Rate Outlook

The area unemployment rate normally falls between June and July as summer employment reaches its highest level and unsuccessful summer job seekers leave the labor force. However, because the normal June seasonal increase in the unemployment rate did not occur in 1994, the July decrease may be smaller than usual. The unemployment rate in July 1994 is expected to be 4.7 percent of the labor force.

Comparability of Labor Force Data

The entire statewide labor force series has been revised back to 1978. Because of changes in population controls, data for 1990-93, except for the unemployment rate, are not directly comparable to data for earlier years.

Substate labor force data are being revised back to 1990. The 1990-93 labor force data appearing in tables or graphs in this issue include these revisions, but some data are still provisional (unofficial) and subject to change.

Changes in the Current Population Survey have made 1994 data not directly comparable to data for any earlier year. This is true both for the state and for substate areas. As a result, pre-1994 data in tables and graphs have been shaded to indicate this noncomparability.

The revisions and comparability issues were more fully described in the January issue of Missouri Area Labor Trends.

Nonagricultural Wage & Salary Employment — St. Louis MSA

Industry	Number of Jobs			Change from:	
	June 1994[P]	May 1994	June 1993	May 1994	June 1993
TOTAL NONAGRICULTURAL	1,223,900	1,213,100	1,195,100	10,800	28,800
GOODS PRODUCING	260,600	255,800	256,300	4,800	4,300
CONSTRUCTION & MINING	64,800	62,200	55,400	2,600	9,400
General Building Contractors	15,600	15,400	13,900	200	1,700
Special Trade Contractors	41,900	39,400	33,900	2,500	8,000
MANUFACTURING	195,800	193,600	200,900	2,200	-5,100
DURABLE GOODS	116,200	114,900	120,300	1,300	-4,100
Lumber, Wood, Furniture	6,300	6,100	5,900	200	400
Stone, Clay & Glass Products	3,200	3,100	3,000	100	200
Primary Metal Industries	12,800	12,800	13,200	0	-400
Fabricated Metal Products	15,800	15,700	15,500	100	300
Industrial Machinery & Equipment	18,000	17,700	17,400	300	600
Electronic & Other Electrical Equipment	10,700	10,600	10,300	100	400
Transportation Equipment	37,300	37,200	42,400	100	-5,100
Motor vehicles & equipment	11,000	11,000	14,900	0	-3,900
Aircraft & parts	25,800	25,700	26,800	100	-1,000
Instruments & Related Products	8,300	8,100	8,800	200	-500
NONDURABLE GOODS	79,600	78,700	80,600	900	-1,000
Food & Kindred Products	21,300	20,900	21,000	400	300
Beverages	8,600	8,500	8,700	100	-100
Textiles, Apparel, & Leather	7,100	7,200	7,600	-100	-500
Paper & Allied Products	6,000	5,900	6,000	100	0
Printing & Publishing	17,200	16,800	17,000	400	200
Chemicals & Allied Products	17,800	17,600	18,800	200	-1,000
Petroleum, Coal, Plastics Products	10,300	10,300	10,200	0	100
SERVICE PRODUCING	963,300	957,300	938,800	6,000	24,500
PRIVATE SERVICE-PRODUCING	818,600	804,700	793,500	13,900	25,100
TRANSPORTATION & PUBLIC UTILITIES	80,900	80,200	76,600	700	4,300
COMMUNICATIONS & PUBLIC UTILITIES	30,500	30,000	29,000	500	1,500
Railroad Transportation	4,800	4,800	4,900	0	-100
Trucking & Warehousing	20,200	19,900	19,500	300	700
Transportation by Air	11,700	11,600	11,300	100	400
TRADE	291,500	284,900	286,500	6,600	5,000
WHOLESALE TRADE	68,100	66,800	67,600	1,300	500
Wholesale Trade - Durable Goods	41,100	40,500	40,800	600	300
Wholesale Trade - Nondurable Goods	27,000	26,300	26,800	700	200
RETAIL TRADE	223,400	218,100	218,900	5,300	4,500
Building materials & garden supplies	8,800	8,800	8,600	0	200
General merchandise stores	30,400	30,400	30,300	0	100
Food stores	35,700	33,200	32,900	2,500	2,800
Automotive dealers/service stations	22,800	22,500	22,000	300	800
Apparel & accessory stores	12,200	12,100	12,400	100	-200
Furniture & homefurnishing stores	8,800	8,700	8,200	100	600
Eating & drinking places	83,000	81,100	82,500	1,900	500
FINANCE, INSURANCE, & REAL ESTATE	74,100	73,000	74,600	1,100	-500
Depository Institutions	21,500	21,400	22,900	100	-1,400
Nondepository Institutions	6,700	6,600	6,200	100	500
Insurance Carriers	15,300	15,300	16,000	0	-700
Insurance Agents, Brokers	6,800	6,800	6,900	0	-100
Real Estate	13,900	13,100	13,400	800	500
SERVICES	372,100	366,600	355,800	5,500	16,300
Personal Services	14,600	14,800	13,900	-200	700
Business Services	68,400	68,400	64,600	0	3,800
Auto Repair, Services, Parking	12,400	12,100	11,300	300	1,100
Amusement & Recreation Services / Movie	24,100	21,300	21,900	2,800	2,200
Health Services	118,700	117,800	116,000	900	2,700
Hospitals (private)	61,000	60,600	61,200	400	-200
Legal Services	8,600	8,300	8,800	300	-200
Educational Services (private)	28,800	31,400	28,100	-2,600	700
Social Services	22,900	22,700	21,800	200	1,100
Membership Organizations	21,800	21,200	21,000	600	800
Engineering & Management Services	25,600	24,500	23,400	1,100	2,200
TOTAL GOVERNMENT	144,700	152,600	145,300	-7,900	-600
TOTAL FEDERAL GOVERNMENT	35,000	35,000	35,600	0	-600
TOTAL STATE GOVERNMENT	19,500	19,700	19,600	-200	-100
TOTAL LOCAL GOVERNMENT	90,200	97,900	90,100	-7,700	100

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Production Workers Average Hours and Earnings — St. Louis MSA

Industry	Production Workers			Average Weekly Hours			Average Hourly Earnings			Average Weekly Earnings		
	Jun 1994P	May 1994	Jun 1993	Jun 1994P	May 1994	Jun 1993	Jun 1994P	May 1994	Jun 1993	Jun 1994P	May 1994	Jun 1993
GOODS PRODUCING	179,700	175,400	169,100	41.5	42.1	41.1	$15.35	$15.22	$14.84	$637.03	$640.76	$609.92
CONSTRUCTION & MINING	51,900	49,400	42,800	38.9	38.5	37.0	20.37	20.00	19.04	792.39	770.00	704.48
MANUFACTURING	127,800	126,000	126,300	42.6	43.5	42.4	13.49	13.56	13.61	574.67	589.86	577.06
DURABLE GOODS	72,800	71,900	77,300	43.6	44.4	42.3	14.09	14.30	14.58	614.32	634.92	616.73
Lumber, Wood, Furniture	4,800	4,600	4,400	42.5	41.7	38.6	9.45	9.27	9.87	401.62	386.56	380.98
Stone, Clay & Glass Products	2,400	2,300	2,200	40.0	44.4	36.9	12.68	13.54	12.73	507.20	601.18	469.74
Primary Metal Industries	9,500	9,500	9,600	46.7	48.9	42.3	13.71	13.30	13.83	640.26	650.37	585.01
Fabricated Metal Products	12,100	12,000	11,700	43.1	43.2	43.2	13.82	13.87	13.94	595.64	599.18	602.21
Industrial Machinery & Equipment	11,700	11,500	11,200	42.5	42.7	42.3	12.34	12.41	12.73	524.45	529.91	538.48
Electronic & Other Electrical Eqp	7,000	7,000	6,700	40.4	40.3	40.1	9.70	9.52	9.86	391.88	383.66	395.39
Transportation Equipment	19,300	19,300	25,000	46.4	48.0	44.2	18.90	19.42	18.82	876.96	932.16	831.84
Motor vehicles & equipment	9,600	9,600	13,200	49.3	51.4	47.8	19.54	19.62	19.00	963.32	1,008.47	908.20
Instruments & Related Products	3,600	3,600	3,700	39.6	39.5	40.3	12.14	12.62	12.36	480.74	498.49	498.11
NONDURABLE GOODS	55,000	54,100	49,000	41.3	42.2	42.6	12.66	12.53	12.08	522.86	528.77	514.61
Food & Kindred Products	14,700	14,300	13,600	39.2	40.3	39.8	13.64	13.64	14.06	534.69	549.69	559.59
Textiles, Apparel, & Leather	5,900	6,000	6,000	39.2	39.6	38.4	7.54	7.52	7.65	295.57	297.79	293.76
Paper & Allied Products	4,800	4,800	5,000	50.2	58.1	47.5	11.58	10.53	11.30	581.32	611.79	536.75
Printing & Publishing	11,300	11,000	10,500	41.4	41.4	41.0	12.50	12.58	12.31	517.50	520.81	504.71
Chemicals & Allied Products	11,000	10,700	6,800	41.1	40.8	54.6	14.97	15.00	12.69	615.27	612.00	692.87
Petroleum, Coal, Plastics Products	7,300	7,400	7,100	41.9	41.2	39.2	12.34	12.53	11.40	517.05	516.24	446.88
PRIVATE SERVICE-PRODUCING	679,300	665,100	659,100	32.3	32.0	32.3	9.99	10.10	9.73	322.68	323.20	314.28
TRANSPORTATION & PUBLIC UTILS	63,200	62,700	59,300	35.7	36.9	38.8	13.16	13.09	13.33	469.81	483.02	517.20
TRADE	257,900	252,400	254,000	31.4	31.2	31.4	9.23	9.27	8.76	289.82	289.22	275.06
WHOLESALE TRADE	56,300	55,100	55,900	40.2	40.6	40.2	12.63	12.63	11.96	507.73	512.78	480.79
Wholesale Trade - Durable Gds	33,500	33,000	33,600	40.4	40.8	40.3	11.95	12.11	11.71	482.78	494.09	471.91
Wholesale Trade - Nondur Gds	22,800	22,100	22,300	39.9	40.2	40.0	13.64	13.43	12.34	544.24	539.89	493.60
RETAIL TRADE	201,600	197,300	198,100	28.9	28.6	28.9	7.91	7.93	7.51	228.60	226.80	217.04
FINANCE, INSURANCE, REAL ESTATE	53,600	52,400	54,000	36.0	36.1	35.3	10.67	10.80	10.05	384.12	389.88	354.77
SERVICES	304,600	297,600	291,800	31.7	31.0	31.1	9.75	9.92	9.61	309.08	307.52	298.87

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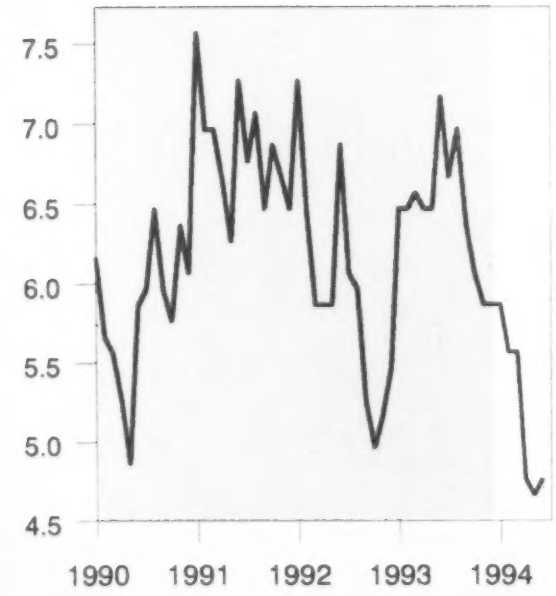
St. Louis MSA Unemployment Rate



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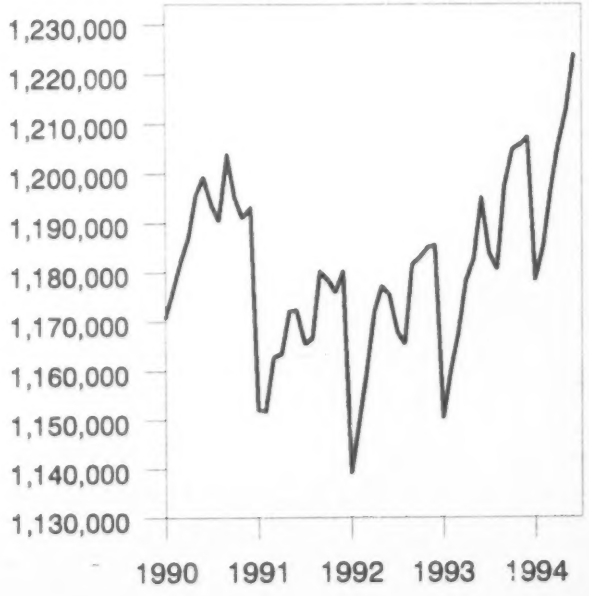

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Kansas City Labor Market Review

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Area Labor Force Conditions

The Kansas City Metropolitan area's unemployment rate returned to 4.6 percent of the labor force in June, after falling in May to 4.2 percent, the lowest rate in four years. The number of jobless workers totaled 42,100, an increase of 4,500 over the May level. The increases in both the rate and level of unemployment are attributed to the closing of area schools for the summer break and a layoff of factory workers in the transportation equipment industry. The jobless rate in June 1993 was 5.7 percent, and the jobless level was 50,100.

The civilian labor force climbed to a record breaking high of 909,100, after averaging 889,400 for the first five months of 1994. Similarly, total employment continued to top its previous highs, edging up to 867,000, its highest level since June 1992.

Nonagricultural Wage and Salary Employment

Nonagricultural wage and salary employment continued to rise in June, although at a somewhat slower pace. Nonfarm payrolls grew by 2,600 jobs from May to 830,500 in June. Since January, the area has added 26,000 jobs, compared to 38,000 added during the same period in 1993, 31,500 in 1992 and 29,200 in 1991. Between June 1993 and June 1994, nonfarm payrolls have increased by 14,500. The temporary layoff of automobile assemblers partly contributed to the smaller total gain experienced in the area, since most sectors recorded about average seasonal increases. Seasonal factors accounted for the bulk of the over-the-month gains in construction, services, finance, insurance and real estate and wholesale and retail trade industries, while school closings produced losses in services and government.

Employment in construction, which has produced the largest percentage increase in jobs this year, continued its upward trend with an increase of another 1,400 jobs in June. While all components of construction have shown gains, special trade construction contributed the bulk of the over the month growth. Since the low point in January, the industry has added 7,400 jobs, a 23.3 percent increase. Over the 12-month period since June 1993, the industry has added 3,900 jobs, an 11.0 percent increase.

The services industry made its fifth consecutive gain this year, adding 2,400 jobs, about average for June. Employment in the industry reached 227,300 in June, with most of the gain concentrated in amusement and recreation and business services. Most services industries recorded gains over the month, with the exception of private education, which lost 1,000 jobs as area private schools closed for the semester break. Over the year, job gains in amusement and recreation, business, education, and social services have contributed to a net growth of 6,500 jobs in the industry. Only legal services posted fewer jobs in June 1994 than in June 1993.

Finance, insurance and real estate also continued to register monthly expansion, with another 800 jobs added in June. Employment in the industry now stands at 63,600, an increase of 1,300 jobs since June 1993 and 1,200 since January 1994.

Wholesale and retail trade employment rose to 202,500 in June, an increase of 700 over the month and 3,100 since June 1993. While the gain in wholesale trade was about average for the month, retail trade posted a slightly smaller than average seasonal increase, with eating and drinking places accounting for most of the expansion. Gains since January have been modest compared to the normal increases generated over this period. Eating and drinking places added 2,400 jobs compared to an average of 4,200 typically added over the first half of the year.

For the first time in the seven months since November 1993, manufacturing employment registered a decline of 1,300 jobs. A temporary layoff in transportation equipment, as retooling for a new production line is completed, produced the over-the-month loss. Despite this temporary loss, most manufacturing industries recorded only small changes over the month, and most recorded either small gains or stable employment over the year. The exceptions were chemicals, which lost 800 jobs since June 1993, and fabricated metal products, which posted a minor loss.

The largest losses recorded over the month were posted in government, which had 1,500 fewer jobs in June than May and 1,300 fewer jobs than in June 1993. The closing of area schools for the summer and the continuing layoff of federal government tax processors also contributed to the decline. The closing of area schools also contributed to the decline in the school bus component of the transportation, communication and utilities industry.

Employment and Unemployment Forecast

The area's unemployment rate typically shows a decline in July, as many new and re-entering workers either find jobs or withdraw from the labor force. The shutdown of an area automobile plant for retooling may offset the normal July decline in unemployment. Nonfarm payroll employment is expected to show a decline as seasonal losses, primarily in government and retail trade, offset the gains in construction and services.

Nonagricultural Wage & Salary Employment — Kansas City MSA

Industry	Number of Jobs			Change from:	
	June 1994[P]	May 1994	June 1993	May 1994	June 1993
TOTAL NONAGRICULTURAL	827,700	821,600	810,000	6,100	17,700
TOTAL NONAGRICULTURAL	830,500	827,900	816,000	2,600	14,500
GOODS PRODUCING	145,900	145,600	141,400	300	4,500
CONSTRUCTION & MINING	39,200	37,600	35,300	1,600	3,900
General Building Contractors	7,800	7,700	6,800	100	1,000
Special Trade Contractors	24,900	23,600	22,500	1,300	2,400
MANUFACTURING	106,700	108,000	106,100	-1,300	600
DURABLE GOODS	49,800	51,400	49,500	-1,600	300
Lumber, Wood, Furniture	3,600	3,500	3,400	100	200
Stone, Clay & Glass Products	3,600	3,600	3,400	0	200
Fabricated Metal Products	12,700	12,600	12,800	100	-100
Industrial Machinery & Equipment	7,900	8,000	7,700	-100	200
Electronic & Other Electrical Equipment	7,300	7,300	7,300	0	0
Transportation Equipment	8,400	10,100	8,400	-1,700	0
NONDURABLE GOODS	56,900	56,600	56,600	300	300
Food & Kindred Products	8,600	8,400	8,300	200	300
Paper & Allied Products	6,300	6,400	6,100	-100	200
Printing & Publishing	23,300	23,300	22,800	0	500
Chemicals & Allied Products	9,000	9,000	9,800	0	-800
SERVICE PRODUCING	684,600	682,300	674,600	2,300	10,000
PRIVATE SERVICE-PRODUCING	558,400	554,600	547,100	3,800	11,300
TRANSPORTATION & PUBLIC UTILITIES	65,000	65,100	64,600	-100	400
COMMUNICATIONS & PUBLIC UTILITIES	25,500	25,300	25,400	200	100
Railroad Transportation	4,700	4,700	4,500	0	200
Trucking & Warehousing	19,400	19,200	19,100	200	300
Transportation by Air	7,000	7,000	7,200	0	-200
TRADE	202,500	201,800	199,400	700	3,100
WHOLESALE TRADE	57,500	57,200	56,400	300	1,100
Wholesale Trade - Durable Goods	35,000	34,800	34,300	200	700
Wholesale Trade - Nondurable Goods	22,500	22,400	22,100	100	400
RETAIL TRADE	145,000	144,600	143,000	400	2,000
Building materials & garden supplies	7,300	7,200	6,900	100	400
General merchandise stores	21,200	21,000	20,700	200	500
Food stores	19,000	19,100	18,900	-100	100
Automotive dealers/service stations	16,600	16,600	15,900	0	700
Apparel & accessory stores	6,200	6,200	6,200	0	0
Furniture & homefurnishing stores	5,600	5,500	5,300	100	300
Eating & drinking places	53,400	53,000	52,200	400	1,200
FINANCE, INSURANCE, & REAL ESTATE	63,600	62,800	62,300	800	1,300
Depository Institutions	15,100	15,000	15,300	100	-200
SERVICES	227,300	224,900	220,800	2,400	6,500
Personal Services	10,200	10,600	10,000	-400	200
Business Services	50,900	50,100	49,000	800	1,900
Automotive & miscellaneous repair services	9,900	9,900	9,700	0	200
Amusement & Recreation Services / Movie	16,600	15,300	14,300	1,300	2,300
Health Services	64,400	64,100	64,300	300	100
Legal Services	6,800	6,600	7,100	200	-300
Educational Services (private)	7,000	8,000	6,400	-1,000	600
Social Services	13,000	12,700	12,400	300	600
Membership Organizations	14,000	13,700	13,500	300	500
Engineering & Management Services	21,500	21,000	21,200	500	300
TOTAL GOVERNMENT	126,200	127,700	127,500	-1,500	-1,300
TOTAL FEDERAL GOVERNMENT	32,600	32,900	33,500	-300	-900
TOTAL STATE GOVERNMENT	18,800	18,800	18,400	0	400
TOTAL LOCAL GOVERNMENT	74,800	76,000	75,600	-1,200	-800

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Production Workers Average Hours and Earnings — Kansas City MSA

Industry	Production Workers			Average Weekly Hours			Average Hourly Earnings			Average Weekly Earnings		
	Jun 1994[P]	May 1994	Jun 1993	Jun 1994[P]	May 1994	Jun 1993	Jun 1994[P]	May 1994	Jun 1993	Jun 1994[P]	May 1994	Jun 1993
GOODS PRODUCING	104,800	104,700	99,100	42.4	42.5	40.8	$14.75	$14.93	$14.29	$625.40	$634.53	$583.03
CONSTRUCTION & MINING	31,200	29,800	27,000	40.6	41.0	38.1	17.55	17.51	17.03	712.53	717.91	648.84
MANUFACTURING	73,600	74,900	72,100	43.2	43.1	41.9	13.64	13.95	13.36	589.25	601.25	559.78
DURABLE GOODS	35,500	37,100	34,900	43.4	44.8	42.8	14.66	15.20	14.30	636.24	680.96	612.04
Lumber, Wood, Furniture	2,700	2,600	2,600	44.4	43.6	41.3	9.52	9.49	9.43	422.69	413.76	389.46
Stone, Clay & Glass Products	2,800	2,800	2,800	43.4	44.5	41.2	12.78	12.93	12.81	554.65	575.39	527.77
Fabricated Metal Products	7,200	7,100	7,200	40.0	40.2	39.5	13.27	13.13	12.94	530.80	527.83	511.13
Industrial Machinery & Equipment	5,900	5,700	5,300	42.4	42.2	43.0	12.92	12.67	12.71	547.81	534.67	546.53
Electronic & Other Electrical Eqp	5,600	5,600	5,400	42.2	40.7	40.5	13.76	13.37	12.05	580.67	544.16	488.03
Transportation Equipment	7,300	9,300	7,600	45.4	51.3	45.5	19.90	20.48	19.50	903.46	1,050.62	887.25
NONDURABLE GOODS	38,100	37,800	37,200	42.9	41.4	40.9	12.67	12.63	12.43	543.54	522.88	508.39
Food & Kindred Products	6,900	6,700	6,300	43.5	38.3	38.9	11.57	11.63	12.22	503.30	445.43	475.36
Paper & Allied Products	4,900	4,900	4,900	44.6	43.9	38.6	11.63	11.61	12.16	518.70	509.68	469.38
Chemicals & Allied Products	3,700	3,700	3,900	40.4	40.3	41.3	18.05	18.00	17.06	729.22	725.40	704.58
PRIVATE SERVICE-PRODUCING	451,800	450,100	443,300	35.0	34.3	33.9	10.35	10.63	10.04	362.25	364.61	340.36
TRANSPORTATION & PUBLIC UTILS	35,200	36,500	35,500	43.5	38.6	41.1	16.87	16.86	16.00	733.85	650.80	657.60
TRADE	175,200	174,900	172,200	34.0	33.4	32.2	8.13	8.24	8.44	276.42	275.22	271.77
WHOLESALE TRADE	47,100	46,700	46,300	38.5	38.9	40.2	11.60	11.73	11.47	446.60	456.30	461.09
Wholesale Trade - Durable Gds	28,700	28,500	28,300	39.6	40.2	40.1	11.53	11.63	11.50	456.59	467.53	461.15
Wholesale Trade - Nondur Gds	18,400	18,200	18,000	36.7	36.7	40.4	11.72	11.91	11.42	430.12	437.10	461.37
RETAIL TRADE	128,100	128,200	125,900	32.3	31.4	29.2	6.61	6.67	6.91	213.50	209.44	201.77
FINANCE, INSURANCE, REAL ESTATE	50,400	49,400	48,500	37.4	38.4	37.6	10.81	10.91	9.95	404.29	418.94	374.12
SERVICES	191,000	189,300	187,100	33.8	33.2	33.0	10.72	11.36	10.10	362.34	377.15	333.30

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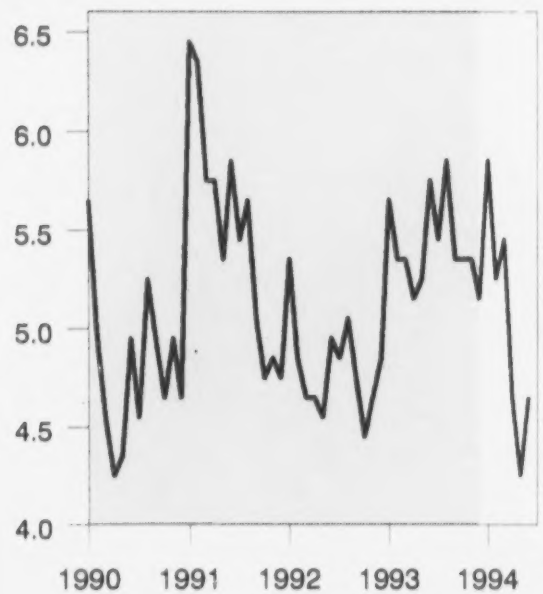
Kansas City MSA Unemployment Rate



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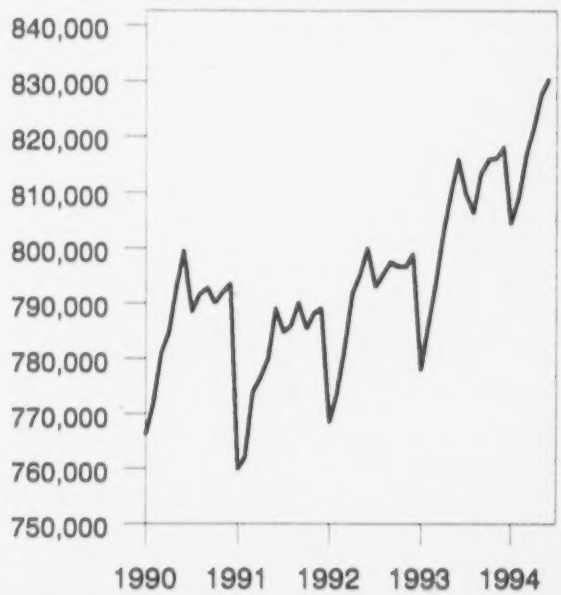

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Springfield Labor Market Review

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Civilian Labor Force Employment and Unemployment

The Springfield MSA unemployment rate declined four-tenths of a percentage point from May to 3.4 percent in June. The estimated number of unemployed persons decreased from 5,800 in May to 5,200 in June.

Nonagricultural Wage and Salary Employment

Nonfarm payroll employment decreased by 200 jobs from May to 143,600 in June. Nondurable goods manufacturing employment grew by 200, and additional manufacturing strength was displayed during June by an increase in the number of weekly hours worked. In the nonmanufacturing sector, June job gains in construction came to 300, and the total stands 200 above the year-ago level of 6,100. Trade and services each recorded a seasonal gain — trade up 300 and services up 100. Total state government employment decreased by 1,000 from May to 4,800 in June.

Hours and Earnings

Average hourly earnings of manufacturing production and related workers in June came to $10.07, down three cents from May. The average factory work week rose 0.9 hours from May to 41.7 hours in June.

Employment and Unemployment Outlook

Nonfarm payroll employment is expected to show very little change during July. Tourism-related industries will be strong in July, as the vacation season gets into full swing. Unemployment will probably show a small drop in July. It is possible, however, that short-term vacation layoffs at some plants could result in a slight increase in unemployment.

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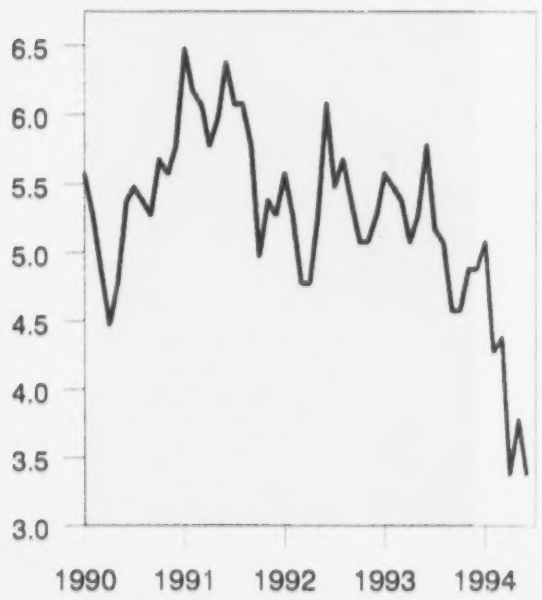

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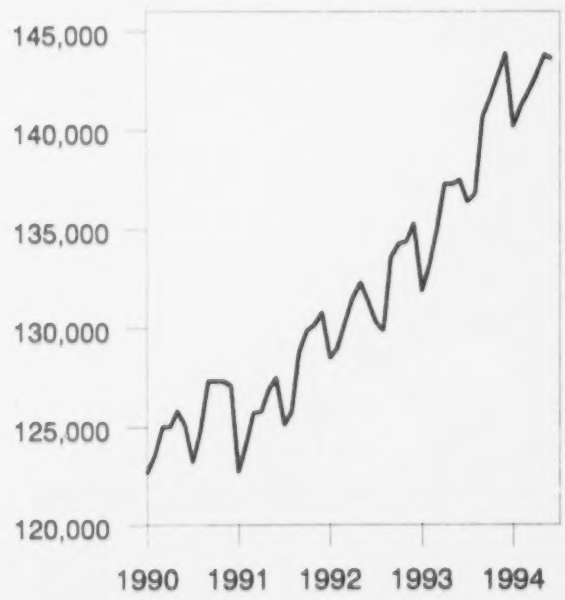

Nonagricultural Wage & Salary Employment — Springfield MSA

Industry	Number of Jobs			Change from:	
	June 1994[P]	May 1994	June 1993	May 1994	June 1993
TOTAL NONAGRICULTURAL	143,600	143,800	137,500	-200	6,100
GOODS PRODUCING	27,800	27,300	27,100	500	700
CONSTRUCTION & MINING	6,300	6,000	6,100	300	200
MANUFACTURING	21,500	21,300	21,000	200	500
DURABLE GOODS	10,000	10,000	10,000	0	0
Industrial Machinery & Equipment	2,400	2,400	2,300	0	100
Electronic & Other Electrical Equipment	3,100	3,000	3,100	100	0
NONDURABLE GOODS	11,500	11,300	11,000	200	500
Paper & Allied Products	1,400	1,400	1,300	0	100
Printing & Publishing	2,200	2,200	2,200	0	0
SERVICE PRODUCING	115,800	116,500	110,400	-700	5,400
PRIVATE SERVICE-PRODUCING	98,300	98,000	93,400	300	4,900
TRANSPORTATION & PUBLIC UTILITIES	8,100	8,300	8,100	-200	0
Railroad Transportation	800	800	900	0	-100
TRADE	41,000	40,700	39,100	300	1,900
WHOLESALE TRADE	10,700	10,700	10,400	0	300
Wholesale Trade - Durable Goods	5,800	5,800	5,500	0	300
Wholesale Trade - Nondurable Goods	4,900	4,900	4,900	0	0
RETAIL TRADE	30,300	30,000	28,700	300	1,600
Eating & drinking places	11,400	11,100	10,500	300	900
Retail Trade exc eating & drinking places	18,900	18,900	18,200	0	700
FINANCE, INSURANCE, & REAL ESTATE	6,400	6,300	6,100	100	300
SERVICES	42,800	42,700	40,100	100	2,700
Personal & Business Services	10,100	9,700	8,500	400	1,600
Health Services	16,500	16,300	16,200	200	300
TOTAL GOVERNMENT	17,500	18,500	17,000	-1,000	500
TOTAL FEDERAL GOVERNMENT	2,300	2,300	2,200	0	100
TOTAL STATE GOVERNMENT	4,800	5,800	4,900	-1,000	-100
TOTAL LOCAL GOVERNMENT	10,400	10,400	9,900	0	500

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Production Workers Average Hours and Earnings — Springfield MSA

Industry	Production Workers			Average Weekly Hours			Average Hourly Earnings			Average Weekly Earnings		
	Jun 1994[P]	May 1994	Jun 1993	Jun 1994[P]	May 1994	Jun 1993	Jun 1994[P]	May 1994	Jun 1993	Jun 1994[P]	May 1994	Jun 1993
GOODS PRODUCING	21,000	20,700	20,000	40.6	40.3	40.4	$10.67	$10.69	$10.49	$433.20	$430.81	$423.80
CONSTRUCTION & MINING	4,900	4,600	4,500	37.0	38.5	36.6	12.93	12.86	12.37	478.41	495.11	452.74
MANUFACTURING	16,100	16,100	15,500	41.7	40.8	41.5	10.07	10.10	10.00	419.92	412.08	415.00
DURABLE GOODS	7,500	7,600	7,500	41.9	40.8	40.7	10.24	10.20	10.02	429.06	416.16	407.81
Industrial Machinery & Equipment	1,700	1,700	1,600	42.0	41.7	39.4	11.61	11.76	11.52	487.62	490.39	453.89
Electronic & Other Electrical Eqp	2,300	2,300	2,400	42.4	41.5	41.1	9.37	9.43	9.54	397.29	391.35	392.09
NONDURABLE GOODS	8,600	8,500	8,000	41.4	40.8	42.3	9.91	10.00	9.98	410.27	408.00	422.15
Paper & Allied Products	1,200	1,200	1,100	39.2	39.7	45.3	11.72	12.01	11.50	459.42	476.80	520.95
Printing & Publishing	1,400	1,400	1,400	39.2	37.2	39.5	10.49	10.34	10.12	411.21	384.65	399.74
PRIVATE SERVICE-PRODUCING	82,100	81,800	77,300	34.5	34.4	34.6	7.83	7.93	7.60	270.14	272.79	262.96
TRANSPORTATION & PUBLIC UTILS	6,700	6,900	6,700	39.8	39.3	37.2	12.26	12.15	10.01	487.95	477.50	372.37
TRADE	37,100	36,900	35,200	33.1	32.0	33.6	7.68	7.83	7.66	254.21	250.56	257.38
WHOLESALE TRADE	9,200	9,100	8,700	39.4	39.8	41.5	11.40	11.54	11.18	449.16	459.29	463.97
Wholesale Trade - Durable Gds	4,900	4,900	4,500	39.5	38.5	40.7	9.44	9.54	9.15	372.88	367.29	372.41
Wholesale Trade - Nondur Gds	4,300	4,200	4,200	39.3	41.3	42.4	13.64	13.68	13.27	536.05	564.98	562.65
RETAIL TRADE	27,900	27,800	26,500	31.0	29.5	31.0	6.13	6.18	6.11	190.03	182.31	189.41
FINANCE, INSURANCE, REAL ESTATE	5,000	5,000	4,500	41.1	38.5	36.8	6.50	6.70	7.00	267.15	257.95	257.60
SERVICES	33,300	33,000	30,900	34.1	35.5	34.9	7.19	7.24	7.07	245.18	257.02	246.74

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